

History of Ticor

Ticor Title began operations in Los Angeles in 1894 as Title Insurance and Trust Company.

Title Insurance and Trust Company, often called “TI”, opened for business on January 15, 1894, with about 30 employees. TI was the direct outgrowth of the merger of two earlier companies, the Abstract and Title Insurance Company and the Los Angeles Abstract Company, which had been started in the real estate boom of the 1880s.

Its origin, however, goes back to the early 1870s, for in 1886 Abstract and Title Insurance Company had acquired the “entire plant and property relating to the searching business” of a Los Angeles firm of attorneys (Judson, Gillette & Gibson) that had pioneered using “certificates of title.”

The original founders of TI were William H. Allen Jr., Otto F. Brant and Oliver P. Clark, who later became known as “the A.B.C.s.” When TI began operation, the population of the city of Los Angeles was 66,000, and the county population, 122,000. In 1992, Ticor was acquired by Chicago Title & Trust, which issued the first guarantee policy in Cook County, Illinois, in 1881. In 2000 Fidelity National Financial Inc. (NYSE: FNF), the premier real estate service company, providing title insurance and other real estate-related services, acquired the Chicago Title Corporation, creating the largest title organization in the world. “FNF has made a strategic commitment to grow its Ticor Title brand and the acquisition of ANFI is a key component of this strategy,” said FNF Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William P. Foley II.



The company’s identity is sustained by its well-trained staff, customer-focused responsiveness and a commitment to excellence. With over a century of experience and consistent A Ratings in claims-paying ability, Ticor Title provides title insurance with confidence and remains a powerful force in the title insurance market.

For more than a century, Ticor Title has been a premier leader in the title insurance industry. Providing our customers with an unmatched combination of professional expertise, exemplary customer service and rock-solid security is the foundation of our business.

In addition to Ticor’s extensive direct and agency operations, as well as underwriting and title plant operations, Ticor is a pioneer in automation software, which reduces paper flow and significantly improves the efficiency of document imaging and electronic recording at county recorder offices.

From the simplest to the most complex residential or commercial real estate transactions, let Ticor Title show you why customers continually turn to us for the reliability, responsiveness and security they need.

